# FOCCY BOTTOM WENS

IF YOU ENJOY READING THE FOGGY BOTTOM NEWS, AND IF YOU WANT TO HELP IMPROVE OUR AREA, AND IF YOU WANT TO LEARN HOW- READ THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS PAGE. THEN, COME TO OUR NEXT MEETING:

NEXT MONDAY - NOV. 16 - 8 5.m.

Pillsbury HALL - ST. Paul's CHURCH - 2430 K ST.

-> SPEAKER CAPTAIN OTTO FUSS No. 3 POLICE PRECINCT

COME OUT - MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

-COFFEE - ALL WELCOME

People sometimes ask, "What's good about your association?" and add that they "aren't much as joiners." What they are really saying, in effect, is that they are not very public spirited. Yet any association will be judged (and joined) largely because of its record of accomplishments. For your information a partial list of the accomplishments of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association during the last two years is given below. If you have not joined, you are earnestly invited to do so, and soon, so that your name can be included in our Directory of Members.

The Foggy Bottom Restoration Association can take a good deal of credit for the new zoning regulations of our neighborhood, announced May 12, 1958. For the greater part of our area, these regulations restrict the construction of residences to one or two single family dwellings. Apartment houses in restricted blocks are limited to maximum height of three stories. (Large apartment structures got permits before zoning went into effect.)

Two applications for parking lots were defeated through our alert action. As a result, four town houses were built in the 900 block of New Hampshire Avenue and, likewise, four were built in the 2400 block of Eve Street.

The application to construct an eight story apartment house in the 900 block of 26th Street was revoked as a result of protests by the Association. Plans are being drawn to build seventeen town houses, valued at about \$45,000 each on this site.

An achievement of great significance was the decision to move the west leg of the inner loop from its originally designated route along 25th Street to the area west of 26th Street. As a result of this decision, approximately three-fourths of the Foggy Bottom area was salvaged. The services of Renah Camalier were retained to assist the Association in this project.

A zoning change which would have permitted the construction of an eight-story apartment house in the 900 block of 24th Street was defeated after the Association protested.

An injunction to prevent the construction of an eight-story apartment house in the 800 block of New Hampshire Avenue was initiated.

A newspaper, The Foggy Bottom News, was established. This paper, which has received citywide attention, is one of the most effective and important contributions to the community.

#### Miscellaneous Events

More than 50 trees were planted in the community during the last 2 years after we called the attention of the District to the need.

Two ''clean-up campaigns'' by the D. C. Department of Sanitation were carried out after the Association made representations.

Christmas Carolers were sponsored and organized, and 25 children of the Bottom made the rounds of our blocks on Christmas day.

Sidewalks were repaired at our requests.

Additional street lights were installed in Greens, Hughes, and Snows Courts.

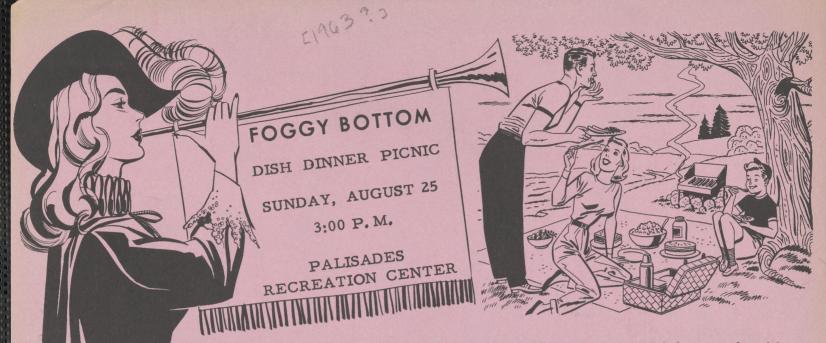
Through liaison with No. 3 Precinct of the D. C. Police Department after we requested them -- Effective enforcement of the litter law was instituted, stray dogs in the neighborhood were rounded up and impounded, petty thefts were stopped, and serious offenses were effectively deterred.

Erection of various traffic signs and a traffic light at New Hampshire and Virginia Avenues followed our expressions of interest.

Liaison with the Board of Condemnation resulted in effective action to condemn unsafe and unsanitary dwellings.

A theater party was held at Arena Stage, preceded by dinner at Marjorie Hendricks' Water Gate.

The Association was incorporated.



#### FACILITIES AVAILABLE

Softball Field, Tennis and Basketball Courts, Horseshoe Pits, Indoor and Outdoor Fire Places; and, for the children: swings, sand box, slides, Jungle Gym.

PICNIC WILL BE HELD COME RAIN OR SHINE

The Field House is large enough to accommodate a very large group with the facilities for "inside picnicking"—so don't let the weather keep you away!



Call Mrs. Susan Howard at FE 7-3824 before August 21 and let her know how many are coming from your household and what you plan to bring. If you are donating \$1.00 per person, please call

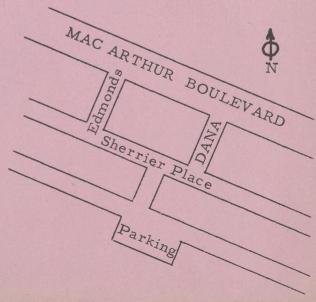
Mrs. Joyce Everett (338-2829) by August 21 and try to get the money to her by August 23, so the Committee can buy the required items.

PRICE OF ADMISSION: One Dish - preferably a Main Course, Salad, or Dessert. Bachelors (and others who don't like to cook) can donate \$1.00 per person to help pay for items the Committee buys.

Cold items can be brought to Field House Saturday (before 5 P.M.) and locked in refrigerator there. All dishes should be at the park by 5:30 P.M. Sunday, as we plan to start eating at 6:00 P.M.

### DIRECTIONS TO PALISADES RECREATION CENTER

Out MacArthur Boulevard beyond the MacArthur Theatre to Dana Street -- the "D" of the second alphabet -- and turn left on Dana; turn right at end of Dana Street onto Sherrier Place and parking lot for Center is on left just about a half block up. Signs are provided to direct you from MacArthur Boulevard and Dana Street.



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The name originated with the editor of the Foggy Bottom News, Charley Rogers, and he sometimes wishes the idea had never occurred to him. But now it's fastened on us, for Hughes Mews is the official name of our little corner of Foggy Bottom. With the consent of the other residents, Charley got the District of Columbia to do this.

Formerly, though the spot was generally known as Hughes <u>Court</u> to postmen, delivery services, Call Carl, and cab drivers, officially it was just an alley on the city plat in the District Building.

Well, what does it mean -- <u>Hughes</u> Mews?

Actually, the word mews is plural for mew, but usually it is construed as singular. A mew in Middle English was a cage for hawks, especially when the birds were mewing (moulting). As early as 1377, King Richard's hawks were kept by his falconers in the Mews of Charing Cross, Westminster, but when King Henry VIII came along he had the place converted into stables for the monarch's horses. He ordered the mews (cages for moulting) removed, but he kept the name.

It was so that the mews of London came to be associated with stables, coachmen and grooms, and their families. The mews men were devoted to one pursuit, the care of horses and carriages, and the mews of London constituted a world of their own.

HUGHES

This flattering view of Hughes Mews appeared in the Foggy Bottom News when the name was first suggested. It was drawn by the art editor of the paper, Shirley Kennard, who must have remembered how the mews of London looked to an American artist abroad. Any resemblance to Hughes Mews, we must admit, is purely coincidental.

Charles Dickens tells us about a character whose "great room was built into a mews at back." It was Mr. Turveydrop, in <u>Bleak House</u>. And in <u>Dombey and Son</u>, Miss Tox's bedroom (which was at the back) "commanded a vista of mews."

In London today, actors and artists, poets and the literati often have their homes in mews. Sir Lawrence Olivier lives in one when he is in London. As a <u>mew</u> in olden times was an enclosure for moulting birds, a close place of retirement or confinement, so later a <u>mews</u> became a cozy back street, often a cul-de-sac or blind alley, like Hughes Mews today.

-- THE MEWSERS

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#### FOGGY BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

Dear Member:

This is to remind you that your Foggy Bottom Association dues are now payable for the 1966-1967 year.

Dues are \$5.00 per household for owners, \$3.00 for renters. This rate entitles all members of a household over 18 years of age to voting privileges.

Persons outside the area (Pennsylvania Avenue, 23rd Street, Virginia Avenue, Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway) may join as non-voting members upon payment of \$3.00.

Kindly mail your dues to:

Rev. F. Everett Abbott, Membership Committee 2508 Eye Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20037

Checks should be made out to The Foggy Bottom Association.

#### FOGGY BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

F. E. Abbott and Nancy Young, Co-Chairmen, Membership Committee

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Name	
Address	
Owner	Renter

Please return this slip with your dues.

### FESCIVAL OF ARTS FOGGY BOTTOM

FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY DEC. 2-3-4

FRIDAY:

9:30 PM AFRICAN CULTURAL DANGERS + DRUMMERS OF WAShingTon RECEPTION Following ST. PAULS CHURCH - PARISH HALL 2430 KSC. n.w. Admission 1.00 (Eichers At book)

SATURDAY:

1-6PM. OPEDING OF SPECIAL EXHIBICION YOUNG PAINTERS' GALLERY
23RO + F STS N.W.

1-5 P.M. EXHIBITION BY RESIDENES OF FOGGY BOTTOM WATERGATE Shopping CERTER

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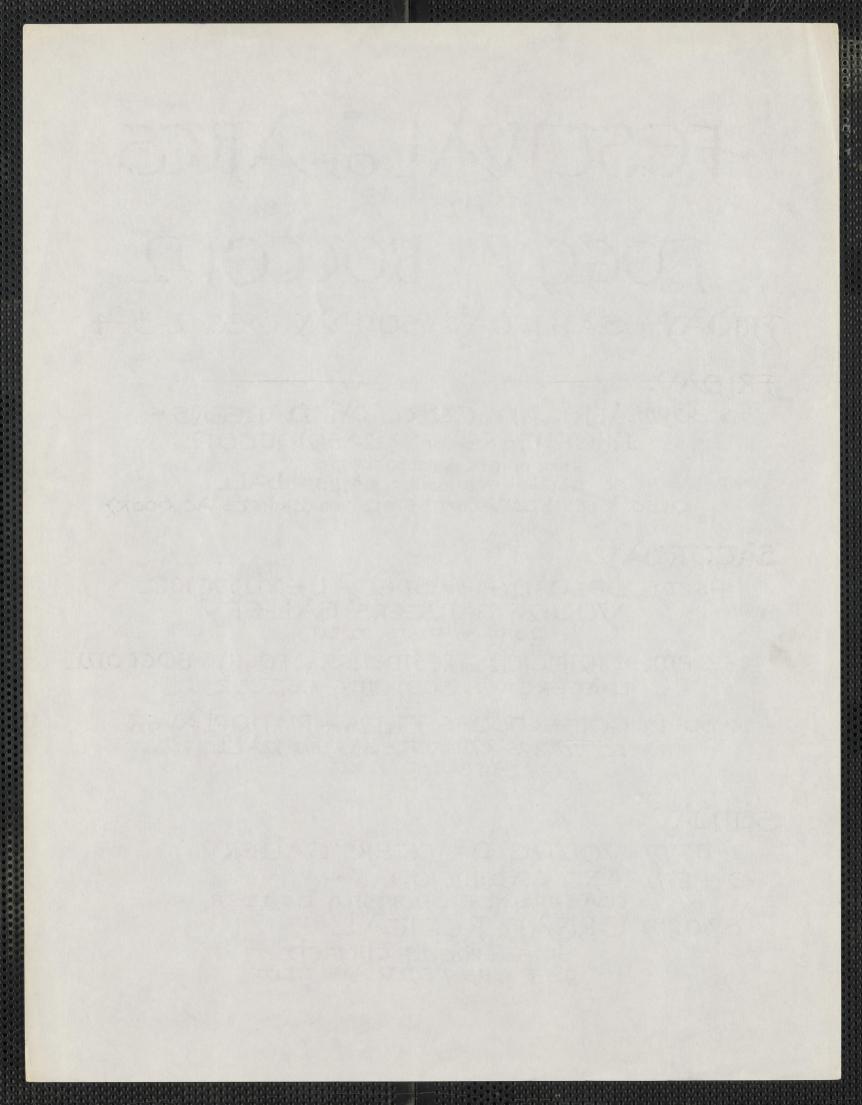
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1-6 P.M. YOUNG PAINTERS'GALLERY

2-4 P.M. ART EXHIBITION WATERGATE Shopping CENTER

630PM ORGAD RECITAL

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH



### SUNDAY JUNE 18 2-5 PM

RAIN DATE 25TH

SPEND A DAY IN WASHINGTON'S MOST COSMOPOLITAN DOWN TOWN NEIGHBORHOOD.....VISIT SOME OF THE CITY'S MOST INTERESTING HOMES AND APARTMENTS .... ENJOY THE CONTRASTS BETWEEN COBBLESTONE STREETS AND WATERFRONT LUXURY.....RELAX OVER COFFEE WITH OLD FRIENDS AND NEW AT CHARMING ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 730 23RD STREET NW.....COME VISIT LOVELY FOGGY BOTTOM!

START YOUR TOUR AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING --

813 25 St NW #5 Snow's Court #6 Snow's Court

835 25 St 922 25 St 2508 Eye St 2409 Bye St

2415 Eye St 835 New Hampshire Ave #20N, 2510 Virginia Ave (Watergate) #1016 S, 2500 Virginia Ave (Watergate)

Donation \$1.25

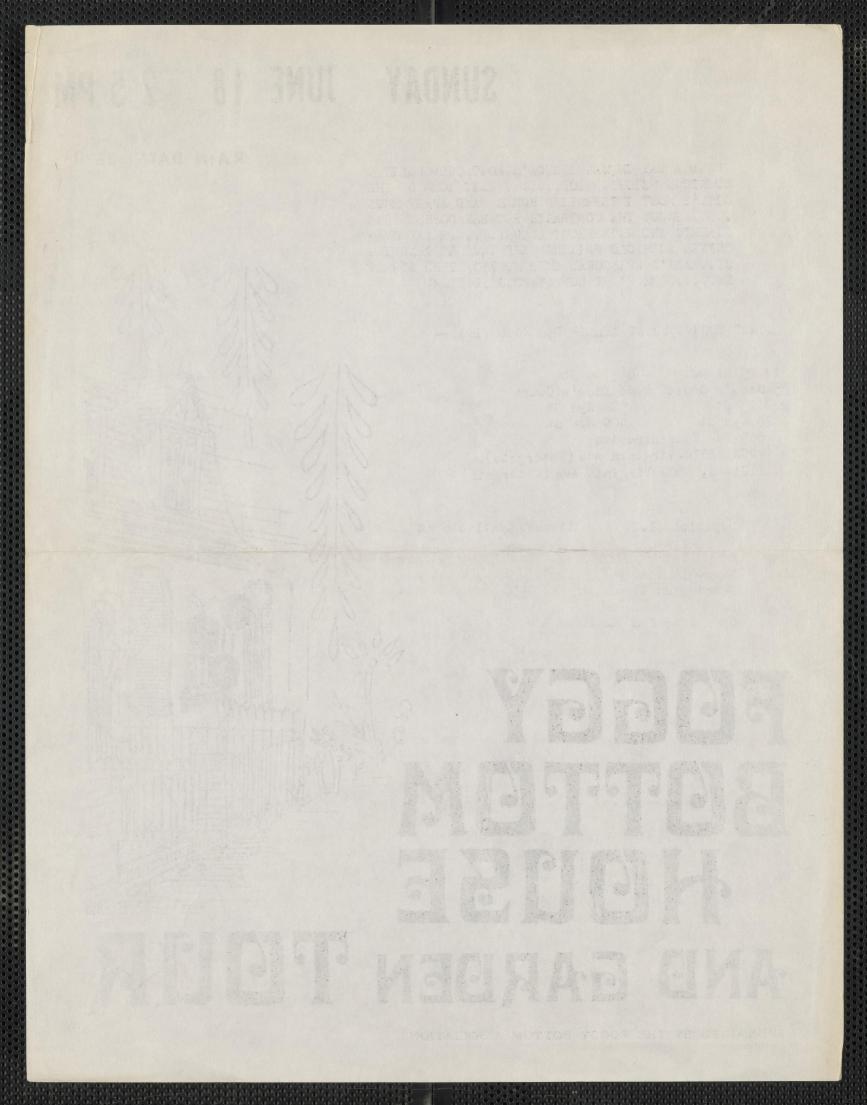
Tickets available at

Foggy Bottom Gifts, 2304 Washington Circle Marg-Ann Beauty Salon, 2428 Eye Street NW Washington Circle Drugs, 2430 Pennsylvania

OR ANY OF THE HOMES ON THE TOUR

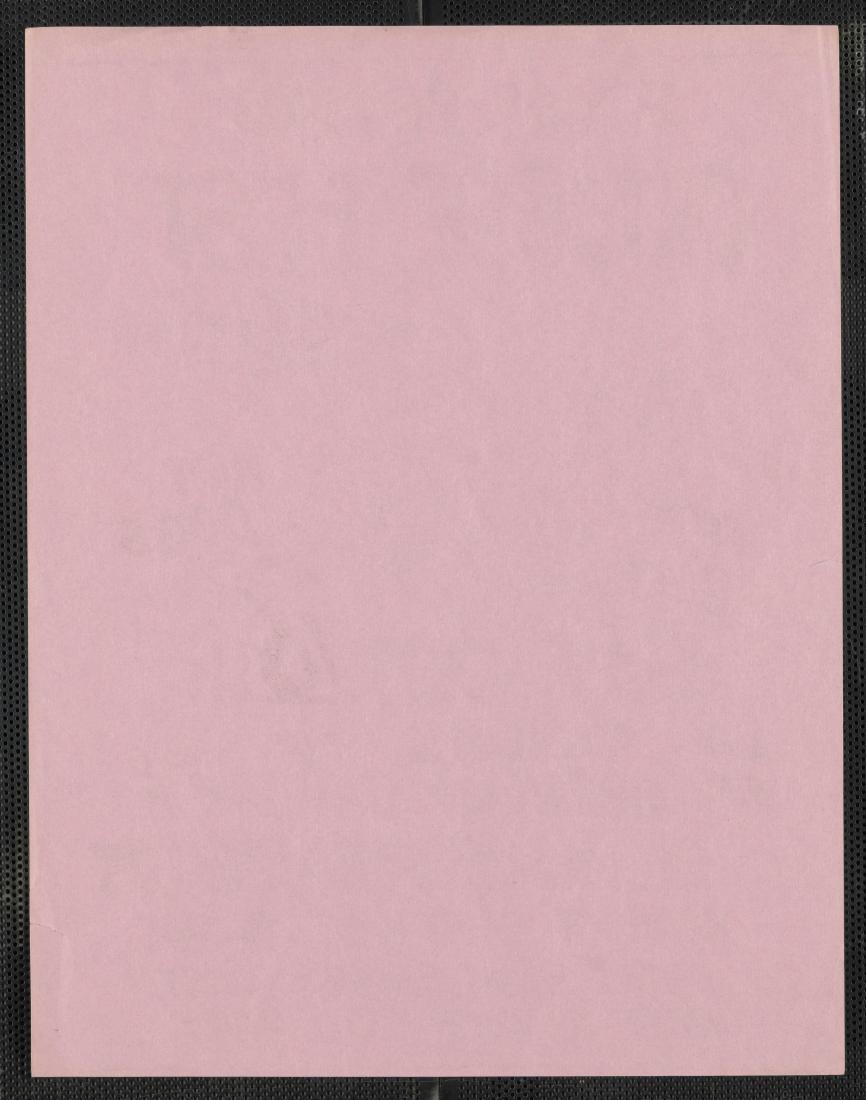
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## THE "CHEERY" CHILDREN'S PARTY NEEDS YOU

The Foggy Bottom Association's "Committee of Hosts to Effect Entertainment and Rejoicing for Youth" is at work on preparations for the first Christmas party for our neighborhood youngsters.

The West End Library on Saturday, December 16 from 2:30 to 4:00 will be the setting for this unusual and festive party featuring stories, carols and a brass band concert by the Brass Ensemble of the D.C. Youth Orchestra.

The Children of the neighborhood – from Kindergarten through 6th grade – will all receive refreshments, favors and presents, donated and presented by the members of the Foggy Bottom Association and by the merchants and businessmen of the vicinity.

The party will emphasize the year-round pleasure and joy of the library. The Christmas gift to each youngster will be a book.



Help make the

Foggy Bottom neighborhood

Christmas party a success.

Your contribution

will buy books for the

children.

Please send your contribution today

to ---

THE CHERRY CHILDREN'S PARTY

OF FOGGY BOTTOM

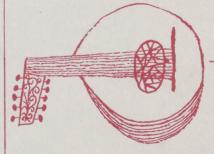
2407½ Eye Street, NW Washington, D.C.

or

deliver it to the CHERRY CHAIRMAN

Mrs. William L. Simon

2407½ Eye Street, NW



If you'd like to help on any

Committee — — or be a helpful host on the Party Day ——

Call: Mrs. Simon FEderal 3–7514.

